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PLASTIC MATERIALS IN A STEAM CHEST MOLD

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir

In response to the Office action mailed September 15, 2010, please amend the abovecaptioned patent application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.